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Attorney Docket Number	NOVT 200
First Named Inventor	Carsten Sjoeholm
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	09 /779,323
Filing Date	February 8, 2001
Group Art Unit	1651
Examiner Name	

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

USE OF ACID-STABLE PROTEASES IN ANIMAL FEED

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)

as United States Application Number or PCT International

(if applicable).

Application Number and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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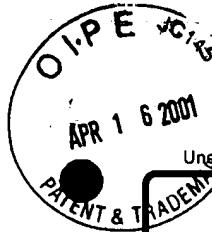
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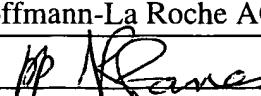
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

TRADEMARK/PATENT OWNER: Carsten Sjoeholm and Peter Rahbek Oestergaard

Application No./Patent No.: 09/779,323 Filed/Issue Date: February 8, 2001

Entitled: USE OF ACID-STABLE PROTEASES IN ANIMAL FEED

F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG a Corporation

(Name of Assignee) _____ (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.) _____

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We, Carsten Sjoeholm of Alleroedvej 17, DK-3450 Alleroed, DENMARK, and Peter Rahbek Oestergaard of Kvaeadevej 111, DK-2830 Virum, DENMARK, in consideration of ten dollars and other valuable consideration paid to us by F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, a corporation of SWITZERLAND, having its principal place of business at 124 Grenzacherstrasse, CH-4070 Basle, SWITZERLAND, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, its successors and assigns, the entire interest for the United States of America, and its territories and all foreign countries and jurisdictions, including all rights of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, in a certain invention or improvement in "*Use of Acid-Stable Proteases in Animal Feed*" described in U.S. Serial No. 09/779,323 filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 8, 2001, by Carsten Sjoeholm and Peter Rahbek Oestergaard, which claims priority to foreign application Serial No. 2000 00200 filed in Denmark on February 8, 2000, and which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/183,133 filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 17, 2000, and in all Letters Patent of the United States and its territories and all foreign countries and jurisdictions which may or shall be granted on said invention, or any parts thereof, or on said application, or any provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue, or other applications based in whole or in part thereon. And we agree, for ourselves and our executors and administrators, with said corporation and its successors and assigns, but at its or their expense or charges, hereafter to execute all applications, amended specifications, deeds or other instruments, and to do all acts necessary or proper to secure the grant of Letters Patent in the United States and its territories and in all other foreign countries and jurisdictions to said corporation, with specifications and claims in such form as shall be approved by the counsel of said corporation, and to vest and confirm in said corporation, its successors and assigns, the legal title to all such patents.

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Filed: February 8, 2001
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And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue such Letters Patent as shall be granted upon said application or applications based thereon to said corporation, its successors and assigns.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 22 day of March, 2001.


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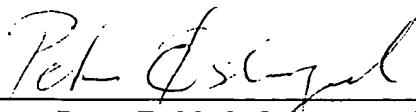
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